## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

Case No. 11-cv-8808
Hon. Steven C. Seeger

## <u>RULINGS ON DEPOSITION DESIGNATIONS – BINH TRAN</u>

## August 13, 2013 Deposition

Testimony	Objection	Rulings
125:19 - 126:3	802 (Hearsay) (party seeking to admit its own statements with no exception identified)	Overruled. <i>See</i> Fed. R. Evid. 803(6). (Plaintiffs should make a proffer to the Court if it is offered for a non-hearsay purpose.)
Tran Ex. 12 (Tr. Ex. 553)		See above.
145:18-19; 146:8- 148:17	Mitigation evidence motion (Dkt. 393)	Overruled. Page 148:13-17 is potentially relevant to injury.  The other passages are admissible so long as Defendants don't use them to say that Plaintiffs could have avoided an injury with better contracts.
Tran Ex. 14 (Tr. Ex. 651)		See above.
148:18 - 149:6; 149:10-149:16; 149:19-150:8	602 (Foundation is hearsay) as to 149:10-16, 149:19-150:8	Overruled.
150:9-151:13, 151:20-160:18	Mitigation evidence motion (Dkt. 393)	Overruled. The testimony is admissible to describe the egg industry as a whole. But the

		testimony is not admissible to prove that Plaintiffs could have avoided an injury with better contracts.
173:5-174:21	602 (174:13-21) No basis for witness to testify about conduct of producers	Overruled.
183:1-22	Mitigation evidence motion (Dkt. 393)	Overruled.
184:1 - 187:3	602 (30(b)(6) speculation)	Overruled as to 184:1 – 186:4. Sustained as to 186:5 – 187:3.
237:10-239:7	No objection to testimony—only to exhibits introduced therein.	N/A (The testimony appears in green in the Court's binder. So, the Court assumes that there is no objection.)
Tran-39 (Def. Ex. 508)	402/403 (Discussion of cage-free eggs, after 2008 and in some	Sustained.
278:4-21	instances after 2012—when no injury is claimed—is irrelevant and	Sustained.
279:6-280:6 (counter)	confusing for jury. Further, no evidence General Mills purchased cage-free until after 2012).	Sustained.
280:7-20, 281:13- 282:10	402/403 (Testimony as to General Mills' mindset post-2012 irrelevant and unduly prejudicial) (281:21-282:10)	Sustained as to 281:13 – 282:10. The witness is describing current beliefs, meaning beliefs after 2012. The phraseology in the last few questions is confusing, too.
Tran-45 (Def. Ex. 49	402/403 (Discussion of cage-free eggs, after 2008 and in some instances after 2012—when no injury is claimed—is irrelevant and confusing for jury. Further, no evidence General Mills purchased cage-free until after 2012).	Sustained. The testimony covers cage-free eggs, which is not probative and is confusing, distracting, and prejudicial.
310:19-312:13 (counter)		Sustained. The testimony covers cage-free eggs, which is not probative and is confusing, distracting, and prejudicial.  Also, 310:19 – 311:5 is discussing 2013.

312:14-313:1	Sustained. See Fed. R. Evid. 401, 403. The testimony covers cage-free eggs, which is not probative and is confusing, distracting, and prejudicial.
313:6-314:1	Sustained. See Fed. R. Evid. 401, 403. The testimony covers cage-free eggs, which is not probative and is confusing, distracting, and prejudicial.
Tran-46 (Def. Ex. 26)	Sustained. See Fed. R. Evid. 401, 403. The testimony covers cage-free eggs, which is not probative and is confusing, distracting, and prejudicial.
314:15-318:18	Sustained. See Fed. R. Evid. 401, 403. The testimony covers cage-free eggs, which is not probative and is confusing, distracting, and prejudicial.
318:2-18 (counter)	Sustained. See Fed. R. Evid. 401, 403. The testimony covers cage-free eggs, which is not probative and is confusing, distracting, and prejudicial.

Date: November 1, 2023

Steven C. Seeger United States District Judge